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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA <u>ex</u> rel. RICHARD ERICH TEMPLIN,

Plaintiff,

- against -

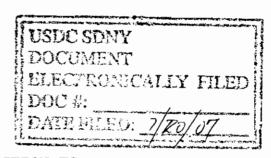
RELIANT PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., NOVARTIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORPORATION, and ELI LILLY & CO.,

Defendants.

The within is So ordered Decen-2501. 7/19/7

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THE GOVERNMENT'S NOTICE OF ELECTION TO DECLINE INTERVENTION

Pursuant to the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(4)(B), the United States notifies the Court of its decision not to intervene in this action.

Although the United States declines to intervene, we respectfully refer the Court to 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(1), which allows the relator to maintain the action in the name of the United States; providing, however, that the "action may be dismissed only if the court and the Attorney General give written consent to the dismissal and their reasons for consenting." Id. The relator has advised the government that he does not intend to maintain the action in the name of the United States, and that he

wishes to dismiss his case. The United States consents to the dismissal of the relator's case.

A proposed stipulated Notice of Dismissal and Order accompanies this notice.

New York, NY July 13, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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